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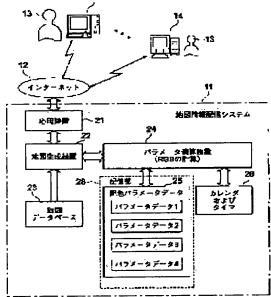
(54) SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MAP INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION BY INTERNET

(57) Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide significant information which harmonizes with feelings of a person who tries to obtain map information and makes the person feels geographical differences by varying map coloration according to natural factors of an area shown in a map when the map information is distributed through the Internet.

SOLUTION: This map information distribution system which is equipped with a map information providing server 34 including a map database 23 and a map generating device 22 and generates and distributes a map image to a user 13 who makes a request to distribute map information on a specific area through the Internet 12 by using a terminal device 14 is equipped with a storage part 28 which stores multiple reference coloration patterns, a parameter arithmetic unit 24 which computes a coloration pattern corresponding to the time of the specific area according to position information and time information by using a reference coloration pattern, and a transmission part which

sends the map image data and coloration pattern data together through the Internet.



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